

107.11.5 Noxious Weed Management

Follow the requirements of the County Noxious Weed Management Act, Title 7, Chapter 22, Part 21 MCA, and all county and contract noxious weed control requirements. Determine the specific noxious weed control requirements not specified in the contract of each county where the project is located before submitting a bid.

Noxious weeds include those species designated by the Montana Department of Agriculture. The most recent list of designated noxious weeds is available from the MT Department of Agriculture, or local county Extension Service or Weed District. The MT Dept. of Agriculture web site with noxious weed information is: www.agr.mt.gov/weedpest/noxiousweeds.asp

Clean all equipment and vehicles prior to their transport into the project area. Equipment or vehicles with visible dirt or plant parts will not be allowed into the project area until they are cleaned to the satisfaction of the Project Manager.

All costs incurred to meet the county weed control requirements are incidental to other items of the contract.

107.11.6 Noxious Weed Control

When Noxious Weed Control is included as a bid item, provide noxious weed control to all lands within the right-of-way within the project limits.

Monitor the construction, borrow and staging areas at intervals necessary to prevent noxious weeds from developing viable seed. Noxious weeds may be controlled through hand-pulling or herbicide application. Select the most effective and appropriate means of control based upon the species and size of infestation and environmental conditions.

If the control is accomplished with the application of herbicides, use only a licensed commercial pesticide applicator certified to apply general and restricted-use herbicides. Use herbicides that meet all applicable state and federal pesticide laws and that are registered with the Montana Department of Agriculture as required by the Montana Pesticide Act. Apply herbicides in a manner that provides immediate control, but does not jeopardize or cause potential harm to final reclamation objectives. Follow all applicable state and federal pesticide laws. If it is determined that herbicide application caused or contributed to the failure of reclamation, take corrective action at no additional cost to the Department.

Do not perform noxious weed control on areas that have received final seeding.

Noxious Weed Control within the project limits is measured by force account. Noxious Weed Control in areas outside of the project limits is not measured for payment.

Work performed within the project limits is paid by units of Noxious Weed Control.